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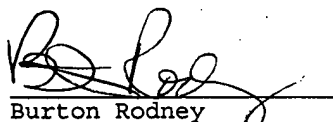
R¹⁶ is alkyl or aryl-(CH₂)_m-; wherein the term heteroaryl alone or as part of another group refers to an aromatic ring which may optionally contain at most one sulfur atom or at most one oxygen atom and/or one to four nitrogen atoms, provided that the total number of heteroatoms in the ring is 4 or less, which aromatic ring may be optionally substituted with one, two or three substituents, and which aromatic ring may be fused to a benzene ring or a pyridyl ring to form a bicyclic ring which may be optionally substituted.--

REMARKS

Claim 1 has been amended so that in the definition of "R⁶, R¹⁰, R¹¹ and R¹²", the "heteroaryl-CH₂)_p" moiety has been changed to --heteroaryl-(CH₂)_p--and in the definition of R⁷, R⁸ and R⁹, the "heteroaryl-CH₂)_m" moiety has been changed to --heteroaryl-(CH₂)_m--.

It is respectfully requested that the above amendment be entered in that it reduces the issues on appeal.

Respectfully submitted,


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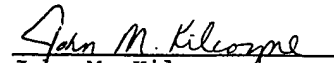
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